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Title Online, Multi-Carrier, Multi-Service Parcel Shipping Management

**Functional Alignment of Computer Devices** 

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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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### Commissioner:

Enclosed with the electronic filing of this letter are the following:

- 1. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Transmittal (2 pages);
- 2. PTO Form SB/08a; and
- 3. "pdf" copies of twenty-six (26) cited References.

Due to electronic filing limitations (for example, with respect to the number of cited reference attachments), this filing may be done in multiple parts, the multiple parts to be taken as one.

It is respectfully submitted that the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement enclosed with the electronic filing of this Transmittal Letter is filed during one of the periods described in 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(4), a Request for Continued Examination having been filed on June 16, 2009, and according to the USPTO PAIR System, as of the date of the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, no Office Action having yet issued; no fee is therefore required.

Even so, the Commissioner is hereby authorized, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3), to treat any concurrent or future reply or correspondence for the aboveidentified application, requiring a petition for an extension, or a further extension, of time Application No. 09/684,010 Page 2 of 2

for its timely submission, as incorporating a constructive petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, including any required extension fees or any underpayment of fees, which may be required during the **pendency** of this application, to Deposit Account No. 501574. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

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# SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.97(b)(4) TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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# Section 1: Preliminary Statements:

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed electronically.

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, and in accordance with the provisions in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure §§ 609 and 707.05(B), enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement is an IDS form (SB/08a) listing references that are known to applicant. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2), only "pdf" copies of references other than U.S. patents and U.S. published applications are enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

It is respectfully submitted that this filing is made during a period as described in 37 CFR § 1.97(b)(4), a Request for Continued Examination having been filed on June 16, 2009, and according to the USPTO PAIR System, as of the date of the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, no Office Action having yet issued; no fee is therefore required.

It is respectfully submitted that some of the references (for example, U.S. Patent Reference Nos. 1-4 and 6 and U.S. Patent Application Publication Reference No. 1) listed on the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement were cited by Office Actions issued for co-pending U.S. patent applications that have been or will be commonly assigned to the entities to which the above-referenced U.S. patent application has been or will be assigned.

It is respectfully submitted that some of the references (for example, U.S. Patent Reference No. 5) listed on the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement are U.S. patents or co-pending U.S. patent applications that have been or will be commonly assigned to the entity to which the above-referenced U.S. patent application has been or will be assigned.

It is respectfully submitted that some of the references (for example, Non-Patent Literature Document Nos. 1-6) listed on the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement are Office Actions issued for co-pending U.S. patent applications, or for U.S. patent applications that have now issued as patents, that have been or will be commonly assigned to the entities to which the above-referenced U.S. patent application has been or will be assigned.

While this Information Disclosure Statement, and the references and documents cited in the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement may be "material" pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, submission of this Information Disclosure Statement and citation of the references and documents listed in the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement are not intended to constitute an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to herein is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references and documents be considered in the examination of this application and identified on the list of references cited on the patent issuing for this application. Applicant also requests that an initialed copy of the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement be entered in the application file and returned to Applicant with the next communication from the office in accordance with MPEP §609.

# Section 2. FORM SB/08a

A list of patents and publications is set forth on the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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